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(Any replacement sheet containing such amendments must be referred to under item 1 and annexed to this report.)

- 6. Additional observations, if necessary:
- V. Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- 1. Statement

Novelty (N)

Yes:

Claims 1-18

No:

Claims 19

Inventive step (IS)

Yes: Claims

No: Claims 1-19

Industrial applicability (IA)

Yes:

Claims 1-19

No: Claims

2. Citations and explanations see separate sheet

VII. Certain defects in the international application

The following defects in the form or contents of the international application have been noted: see separate sheet

VIII. Certain observations on the international application

The following observations on the clarity of the claims, description, and drawings or on the question whether the claims are fully supported by the description, are made: see separate sheet

SECTION V

- 2. CITATIONS AND EXPLANATIONS
- 2.1 In view of the priority documents pertaining to the present application, the international patent application WO 99/18211 (publication date 15.04.99), cited in the International Search Report under the "P" category, is not to be regarded as state of the art according to Rule 64 (1) PCT as the date of priority of 10.11.98 is hereby validly claimed.
- 2.2 The following documents have been considered for the purposes of this report:

D1: WO 97/00325 (also cited in the description)

D2: WO 98/26087 (also cited in the description)

D3: WO 98/26088 (also cited in the description)

D4: WO 92/05244

2.3 Novelty and inventive step (Art. 33(2) and (3) PCT)

The present application does not satisfy the criteria set forth in Article 33(2) and (3) PCT because,

- a) the subject-matter of Claim 19 is not new in respect of prior art as defined in the regulations (Rule 64(1)-(3) PCT)
- b) the subject-matter claimed (Claims 1-19) does not involve an inventive step (Rule 65(1)(2) PCT).

It transpires from the introductory passages in the description (see page 1, lines 5-23) that the technical problem to be solved by the present application relates to the provision of improved whole-cell assays for inhibitors of chromosome partitioning and cell division functions, which are devoid of the drawbacks derived from the use of close-related determination assays indicative of potential antimicrobial properties, in particular those assays described in D1, D2 or D3.

As a solution to the problem posed, the application proposes whole-cell assays based on the use of genetically engineered Bacillus subtilis strains which permit the detection/identification of inhibitors of cell division (i.e. putative antibiotic compounds) which act on a corresponding protein product of a pathogen (e.g.

from Staphilococcus aureus) but not on that of the parent Bacillus strains.

It is clearly stated in the description (see page 5, lines 14-31 and pages 6-7), that the three main different approaches useful to carry out the detection assays of interest proposed in the application, are based on corresponding assays of the closest-state of the art documents D1, D2 and D3.

The only characterizing feature which distinguishes the three main types of assays hereby described from the corresponding assays disclosed in D1, D2 and D3, respectively, consists in the (total or partial) replacement of a target gene involved in cell division (e.g. ftsZ) in the subject Bacillus strain with a homologous gene (or an equivalent section of a homologous gene), likewise involved in cell division, obtained from a different microorganism (for example, from a pathogenic Streptococcus pneumonie).

However, the partly or wholly replacement of a target gene of a well-characterized microorganism (e.g. Escherichia coli, Bacillus subtilis, Saccharomyces cerevisiae, etc) with a functionally equivalent gene originated from a different cell source in order to facilitate/make feasible the characterization of the latter gene in a (micro)biological system easy to be handled, is in fact a working feature which has been conventionally employed in related technical fields (for instance in D4) for a variety of standard purposes, e.g. for screening active ligands or antagonistic compounds.

Regarding the foregoing it would appear that, in order to solve the underlying technical problem, it would have been obvious to the person skilled in the art to apply the aforementioned working feature (e.g. a replacement with a functionally equivalent gene of a non-easily culturable pathogenic strain) with corresponding effect to the particular assay systems based on the use of the specific B. subtilis engineered strains taught by D1, D2 and D3 thereby arriving at microorganisms

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equivalent to those intended in Claims 1-9 and 16 and at methods similar to those according to Claims 10-15 and 17-18. The subject-matter claimed according to Claims 1 to 18 does therefore not involve an inventive step (Article 33(3) PCT).

Additionally it is noted that, contrary to the requirements of Art. 33(2) and (3) PCT, the subject-matter of independent Claim 19 is neither novel nor inventive. The method of killing or inhibiting the growth of bacteria according to present Claim 19 cannot be distinguished from the corresponding methods according to Claim 11 of D2 or Claim 10 of D3. Moreover, it is pointed out that in the light of the supporting description, where no suitable agent capable of inhibiting the growth of the microorganisms of interest is characterized, Claim 19 merely recites an obvious desideratum (see in this regard item 2 in Section VIII below).

SECTION VII

Contrary to the requirements of Rule 5.1(a)(ii) PCT, the relevant background art disclosed in the document D4 is not mentioned in the description, nor is this document identified therein.

SECTION VIII

- 1. It is clear from the description that, to serve the purposes of the present invention, the microorganisms intended to be claimed according to Claims 1-3 should possess, at least, the following characterizing features:
 - (1) the required microorganisms belong to a *Bacillus* strain <u>capable of growth</u> and <u>sporulation</u> (see the description as a whole)
 - (2) in said *Bacillus* strain <u>a cell division</u> gene has been partly or wholly replaced by a homologous gene from another bacterium (cf page 7, lines 25-29)



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(3) two artificially introduced reporter genes are present, a first reporter gene having a promoter which is dependent on active σ^F or σ^E factors, and a second reporter gene which provides a measure of the synthesis of the (inactive) σ^F or σ^E factor (cf page 5, lines 20-25; page and page 7, lines 19-23.

Since independent Claim 1 does not contain these features it does not meet the requirement following from Article 6 PCT taken in combination with Rule 6.3(b) PCT that any independent claim must contain all the technical features essential to the definition of the invention.

- 2. Independent Claim 19 does not meet the requirements of Article 6 PCT in that the matter for which protection is sought is not clearly defined. The claim attempts to define the subject-matter in terms of the result to be achieved which merely amounts to a statement of the underlying problem. The following functional statements do not enable the skilled person to determine which agent is necessary to perform the intended method: "an agent which inhibits the growth of a micro-organism of any one of claims 1 to 9"
- 3. The following (underlined) expression "an artificially introduced reporter gene is present and is expressed in a manner related to a homologous gene expression product" used in the sentence bridging pages 1-2 and in independent Claim 1 is vague and open to interpretation and leaves the reader in doubt as to the meaning of the technical features to which it refers, thereby rendering the definition of the subject-matter of said Claim 1 (and of the claims dependent thereof/appended thereon) unclear, contrary to Article 6 PCT.

The same unclarity deficiency (Art. 6 PCT) arises from the passage on page 2, lines 17-20 as long as this recites: "... it is necessary that the homologous gene be capable of forming an expression product that is different in some respect from the expression product of the target gene."

4. It appears that on page 3, line 19 was meant to read "β-glucuronidase".

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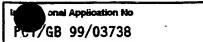
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International application No.	International filing date	(day/month/year)	(Earliest) Priority date (day/month/year)	
PCT/GB99/03738	10 November 1999	ı	10 November 1998	
Title of invention BACILLUS STRAIN AND ASSAY ME	THOD			
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the claims as originally filed					
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the drawings as originally filed					
as amended under Article 34					
2. The applicant wishes any amendment to the claims under Article 19 to be considered as reversed.					
3. The applicant wishes the start of the international preliminary examination to be postponed until the expiration of 20 months					
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